

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1949–S1987*

**Measures Introduced:** Eighteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3991–4008. **Pages S1980–81**

#### Measures Passed:

**Pray Safe Act:** Senate passed S. 2123, to establish the Federal Clearinghouse on Safety and Security Best Practices for Faith-Based Organizations and Houses of Worship, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Pages S1983–87**

**Shadow Wolves Enhancement Act:** Senate passed H.R. 5681, to authorize the reclassification of the tactical enforcement officers (commonly known as the “Shadow Wolves”) in the Homeland Security Investigations tactical patrol unit operating on the lands of the Tohono O’odham Nation as special agents. **Page S1987**

#### Measures Considered:

**Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act:** By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 129), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4373, making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022. **Page S1964**

Senator Schumer entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S1964**

**Motion to Discharge Gordon Nomination:** By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. EX. 127), Senate agreed to the motion to discharge the nomination of Julia Ruth Gordon, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Subsequently, the nomination was placed on the Executive Calendar pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 27, relative to Senate procedure in the 117th Congress. **Pages S1949–52**

**Jackson Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. **Pages S1952–64, S1964–74**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, April 7, 2022. **Page S1952**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 128), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S1952**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, April 6, 2022; and that at 11:45 a.m., Senate execute the previous order of Monday, April 4, 2022 with respect to the nomination of James C. O’Brien, of Nebraska, to be Head of the Office of Sanctions Coordination, with the rank of Ambassador, Department of State, and vote on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S1987**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Katherine Vidal, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. **Pages S1974–75**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Vinay Vijay Singh, of Pennsylvania, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Robert F. Godec, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand.

Kalpna Kotagal, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2027. **Page S1987**

**Nomination Discharged:** The following nomination were discharged from further committee consideration and placed on the Executive Calendar:

Julia Ruth Gordon, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, which was sent to the Senate on January 4, 2022, from the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—129) Page S1952, S1964

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:22 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1987.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William A. LaPlante, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Acquisition and Sustainment, and Erik Kristopher Raven, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy, both of the Department of Defense, Musetta Tia Johnson, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and Marvin L. Adams, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

### USSOCOM AND USCYBERCOM POSTURE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the posture of United States Special Operations Command and United States Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2023 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Christopher P. Maier, Assistant Secretary for Special Operations and Low-Intensity Con-

flict, General Richard D. Clarke, USA, Commander, United States Special Operations Command, and General Paul M. Nakasone, USA, Commander, United States Cyber Command, all of the Department of Defense.

### TRAINING CYBER OPERATORS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity concluded a closed hearing to examine training the next generation of cyber operators, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Stephen G. Fogarty, USA, Commander, United States Army Cyber Command, Vice Admiral Ross Myers, USN, Commander, United States Fleet Cyber Command, Lieutenant General Timothy D. Haugh, USAF, Commander, 16th Air Force, Major General Ryan P. Heritage, USMC, Commander, United States Marine Corps Forces Cyberspace Command, and Major General Kevin Kennedy, USAF, Chief of Operations, United States Cyber Command, all of the Department of Defense.

### INSIDER TRADING LEGISLATION

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine insider trading legislation, focusing on fair markets, including S. 3990, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to prohibit certain securities trading and related communications by those who possess material, nonpublic information, H.R. 6553, to promote a 21st century artificial intelligence workforce, S. 3730, to ensure a complete analysis of the potential impacts of rules on small entities, S. 3980, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to carry out a study of the costs associated with small- and medium-sized companies to undertake initial public offerings, S. 3919, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide that an issuer that is required to file certain quarterly reports may elect to file those reports semiannually, S. 3923, to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to repeal certain provisions requiring non-material disclosure, S. 3945, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to address the solicitation of proxy with respect to securities, S. 3097, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to allow for the registration of venture exchanges, S. 3976, to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to address entities that are not considered to be investment companies for the purposes of that Act, S. 3914, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise the definition of a qualifying investment, for purposes of the exemption from registration for venture capital fund advisers under the